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STATE NEWS OF INTEREST

From Our New Mexico Papers

\$82,440 for Taos Project

The State Engineer, James A. French has approved the application of H. F. Robinson, superintendent of irrigation for the Taos Indians for the appropriation of 2811 acre feet of water from the Rio Pueblo de Taos, for the irrigation of 1400 acres of land on the Taos Pueblo grant. It is understood that the estimated cost of the project is \$82,440 and work will start on the actual building as soon as the appropriation from the government becomes available, which is during the present fiscal year. Mr. Robinson has his headquarters at Albuquerque.—The Gazette-Quest, Taos County.

Contracts Given for Dragging Road

Permanent arrangements were made this morning by the San Miguel county road commission for continuous work on the road between Las Vegas and Watrous, operations to continue until the commission sees fit to stop such work. Contracts have been let for these operations, and all to reliable men, so that the commission feels sure that the work will be well done.

The work that is to be done is dragging the road after each rain or snow storm. The drags will work on either side of the road, throwing the loose material toward the center. With this process, within a few months, the road will be perfect and one of the fastest stretches of highway in the state.

The commission intends to let similar contracts on all the county roads as fast road man this week stated that the as arrangements can be made. A local dragging of roads after each rain is one of the most beneficial processes yet known, and highly commended the road commission for its work along this line.—Las Vegas Optic.

Before Grand Jury

Traveling Auditor Howell Earnest returned last night late from San Miguel county, where he was a witness before the grand jury in that county. He admits he was called in connection with his recent report on the books of the San Miguel county officials. Concerning this the Las Vegas Optic had the following yesterday evening:

The county grand jury, which has been in session since Monday of last week, likely will not complete its deliberations until Friday or Saturday, according to statements made at the court house this morning.

The jury is said to be investigating the truth of the charges made by Howell Earnest, state traveling auditor, in his report concerning conditions in this county. Mr. Earnest was a witness before the grand jury this morning, it is said. The official came over last night from his headquarters in Santa Fe, and returned here this afternoon. In view of the fact that numerous county officials have called attention to apparently glaring inaccuracies in Mr. Earnest's report, the action taken by the grand jury is awaited with interest. Several county officials and former county officers have been examined by the investigators, it is declared, being summoned as witnesses.—Santa Fe New Mexican.

Navajo Chiefs and General Scott in Pow-Wow at Noel's Post

A friendly Indian runner today delivered to Farmington the first news of the movements of the squadron of the Twelfth United States cavalry, acting as General Hugh L. Scott's escort, since the command ventured into the Navajo country.

General Scott, accompanied only by an Indian interpreter, started from the troop's headquarters yesterday morning to meet the Navajo chiefs at Noel's trading post, a mile from Beautiful Mountain, the messenger reported.

General Scott promised the Navajo he would go alone, leaving the horsemen fifteen miles from the mesa, where they were encamped.

This pow-wow may please the Navajos and the outcome is awaited here and other places skirting the bounds of the reservation with interest. This, however, will not be known until tomorrow.

This meeting between General Scott and the Indians was decided upon at a conference held at Gallup. Father Anselmo Webber, of St. Michaels—just across the Black range from Beautiful

mountain—Indian Agent Parquette, and Chief Dodge, one of the leading men of the Navajo tribe, were present at the Gallup conference, beside General Scott. All these men are familiar with the situation at Beautiful Mountain. A messenger was dispatched to parley, Be-Sho-Sho, medicine man and leader of the recalcitrant element of the tribe, acquiesced.

The four troops, with a train of fifteen wagons, left Gallup last Tuesday. Troops A, B and C Wednesday were encamped fifty miles south of Beautiful Mountain. Troop F was fifteen miles away from the camp, guarding the wagon train. It has been raining for fifteen day almost continuously in the Navajo country, and the army wagons, hub deep in mud, are making slow progress. Two wagons turned over while descending Tehatchi hill Tuesday. Some times as many as ten teams of mules are hitched to one wagon to pull it through the mire.

The troops expected to ride thirty-five miles today, bringing them to a point within fifteen miles of Beautiful Mountain. Deputy United States Marshal J. R. Galusha, of Albuquerque, who familiarized himself with the Navajo country on a previous expedition with United States Marshal A. H. Hudspeth of Santa Fe, is guiding the cavalry.

General Scott left Gallup in an automobile, but was forced to ride horseback the greater part of the distance to Tuesday night's camp, when the automobile became mired.—Albuquerque Morning Journal.

HILL, PRESIDENT AND WAGNER IS SECRETARY

The election of officers and the state oratorical meet last night closed the 1913 meeting of the New Mexico Educational association.

Rev. C. C. Hill of Roswell elected president, after a notable contest and J. H. Wagner, of Santa Fe was chosen secretary.

Miss Josie Lockhard, of Raton, elected vice president; C. L. Bart, of Mountair, treasurer; J. B. Taylor of Deming, member of executive committee, and R. R. Larkin, railroad secretary, without opposition.

John Milne was chosen local secretary.

Amendment to constitution, reorganization of the educational council, adopted unanimously.

Dr. P. H. Roberts was selected president and R. E. Asplund secretary of education.

Winners of the state oratorical contest held last night at the Elks theater are Frank Landau of the New Mexico Normal university, of Las Vegas, in the college section and Lester Welby of Roswell, in the high school section. Mr. Fred Calkins of the University of New Mexico took second prize in the college section and Edward Patterson of Portales, took second in the high school section.

"We made the best fight we knew how for the next convention of the Educational Association," said George A. Fleming of the Meadow City yesterday afternoon as he left for his home, "and we lost in a fair fight. We are satisfied with the result and you can bet we will come again."

Mr. Fleming, with Charles W. G. Ward, Dr. Frank H. H. Roberts and other Las Vegas business men, made a vigorous contest for the convention and up to this morning it looked as if they had won.

Jose D. Sena, clerk of the supreme court of New Mexico and president of the school board of Santa Fe, arrived in Albuquerque Tuesday night. Mr. Sena arrived here an enthusiastic advocate of Santa Fe as the 1914 convention city.

Twelve hundred and eighty-five active members of the New Mexico Educational association are in actual attendance at the convention here which closed yesterday.

This is the record of accomplishment of four years' work by Rupert F. Asplund of Santa Fe, the retiring secretary of the association, and assistant in the department of education, to whom is given the large share of the credit for the arrival of the association at its present flourishing condition.

On every hand are heard expressions of regret that Mr. Asplund could not see his way clear to continue in the position. He was offered material inducement to do so but felt that he could not accept.

Four years ago when Mr. Asplund became secretary the membership of the teachers' association was less than 200. Today it is over 1300 and close to

GREAT VOTING CONTEST

Elegant Obermeyer & Sons Piano and Other Valuable Prizes to be Awarded to the Successful Candidates

The News and Tucumcari Merchants Give Prizes

Read the Announcement and Particulars on Eighth Page of this Issue, and Get in the Game

The News this week inaugurates the greatest voting contest ever held in this section of the state, and one which we believe will arouse a great deal of interest.

This contest will extend over a period of 30 days, and at the close of the contest some lady in Tucumcari or vicinity will be the proud possessor of a handsome \$400 piano.

On another page of this issue will be found a full explanation of the contest, and the rules which will govern it, and a list of beautiful and useful auxiliary prizes which will be given by the progressive merchants of the city. There are a great number of prizes besides the piano, any one of which will be well worth winning, and every contestant who gets out and makes any kind of a hustle will be sure of winning a handsome prize even if she does not win the piano.

This contest is put on under the auspices of the Publisher's Music Co., of Chicago, who will have charge of the arrangements. This company makes a business of conducting these popular voting contests and at present has a number of them under way in this and other states.

Some popular lady will have a beautiful piano as the result of this contest and a number of others will have beautiful prizes of various kinds.

Read the rules elsewhere in this issue, inspect the offerings of the merchants, and learn how you may secure votes for yourselves or friend.

Use the 20-vote coupon in this issue

and cast it for some one, as it may be the starter of the winner. Fill out the nominating blank and send it or hand it in to the News office, as this may be the means of helping some deserving lady to win a handsome piano or some of the other valuable prizes enumerated.

This contest is, without doubt, the biggest business getting enterprise that has ever been presented to the people of Tucumcari and vicinity.

While the News enjoys a good business, nevertheless we are always reaching out after more and in our present method of helping others, we hope in return to help ourselves. We expect to increase our subscription list at an exceedingly rapid rate, and thereby benefit the advertiser.

Remember that a number of our leading merchants are interested in this contest and give 25-vote coupons with every dollar cash purchase. Also those who do not fully understand the rules and regulations of this contest can call or write this office and we will be pleased to go over the proposition with them.

Remember to have your friends trade with the merchants who are giving coupons. They are reliable trades people as follows:

H. Bonem
American Furniture Company.
C. C. Chapman
Enger Bros. Grocery
The Photoplay
M. B. Goldenberg Company
L. L. Ernst Jewelry
P. Clinton Bortell, Photographer
Elk Drug Store

25 VOTE COUPON

Send this vote to the News office within 15 days from date and it will count for TWENTY-FIVE VOTES. No money is required with this Coupon.

VOTE FOR

NOMINATING BLANK

Popular Vote Contest

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I hereby nominate or suggest the name of

Name

Address

as a lady worthy to become a candidate in your Popular Voting Contest. I present this name with the distinct understanding and agreement that the editor shall not divulge my name. This does not obligate me in any way whatever.

Signed

Address

that number attended the present convention.

The Hon. Filadelfo Baca of Santa Fe gave an address in Spanish yesterday afternoon in the assembly room of the High School on "The Money Value of a Scientific Education." This address was interpreted by Jose D. Sena of Santa Fe.

President Jones of the School of Mines, spoke on the "Geological Time-Ripples of the Rio Grande," and State Superintendent Alvan N. White on the "Relation of Science Teaching to the Industrial Progress of the State."—Ex.

The Elks entertained their many friends Thanksgiving afternoon and evening. Excellent refreshments were served. There was music and dancing and the local Elks again proved their title of being the best of hosts.

Keep your membership in the Tucumcari Chamber of Commerce and attend the meetings regularly. A live town with an organization full of life can and is doing good work for the community, but it needs the help and cooperation of every citizen of Tucumcari. Too many members are shirking their responsibility and are expecting some one else to do it all. Unless there is a united effort its purpose must ultimately fail. Be a "town booster," and help at least to the extent of keeping up interest in the Chamber of Commerce.

Quay county was well represented at the Teachers' Association at Albuquerque Thanksgiving week. A large number of county teachers joined the Tucumcari teachers here. Supt. Paek and Supt. Hofer accompanied them.

AT THE SIGN OF THE BLUE QUAIL

The former home of the News will be an up-to-date cafe soon, "The Blue Quail." This is the irony of fate that they shall feed and feast and that wine shall flow at the sign of the Blue Quail, where newspaper men have worked into the night with their high hopes and light suppers and where but memories of feasts to which they have sometimes been invited, but of which more often they have been engaged to write, were with them, as they told the readers of the flowing bowl and the bluest quail when those supreme delicacies of the Orient, shark's fins and birds nests, are served to Tucumcari epicures by our oriental chef, it is hoped that the well-satisfied guests will drink one toast to that countless horde, the newspaper men, who by telephone, by pink perfumed stationery, and by engraved banquet menus, have learned of feasts, but with whom black coffee and Boston or Frijoles beans, have been their staff of life for whatever literary merit the daily and weekly paper may possess.

OPERA HOUSE NEWS

When "The Rose Maid" comes to the Evans opera house on December 15, local theater-goers will have their first opportunity of seeing the famous musical show that was the talk of New York last years. This opera was written by the greatest writer of cabaret music in Vienna, Herr Bruno Granichstaedten, and the dances which he wrote into the delicious score of "The Rose Maid" are largely responsible for the famous tango and turkey-trotting craze that has swept over the country. Almost every useful number has its rollicking dance accompaniment that invites encores until the gaily chorus girls are fairly exhausted. The performance is said to begin with a romp and finish with a graceful whirlwind of twinkling toes. The son numbers are described as "ear tickling and positively irresistible in tunefulness."

ROSES BLOOM FOR LOVERS

"Roses bloom for lovers
'Neath a sky of blue,
In each petal hovers
Money, wet with dew;
Paint hearts beat strong
Under their perfume,
Love will linger longer
Where the roses bloom."
Free like the Rose Maid. You'll be whistling it after Dec. 15

DIG TURKEY DINNER

A big turkey dinner will be held in the Simpson building December 6th by the ladies aid society of the Presbyterian church. Bazaar in connection. All afternoon and evening. Everybody invited.

Mrs. Bertha Weller of Bolivar, N. Y., is visiting her brother, M. H. Koeh.

to better purpose or with more encouraging promise of opulent return and continuing beneficent result. But why go so far away from home when our own dear Pajarita could be bottled up and made the source from whence refreshing waters could be obtained, and our beautiful Montoya valley could be made to blossom like a rose.

George Hall and Alice Wilkerson made a trip to Tucumcari the first of the week.

Charles Kohn purchased a new auto from Hugh Swift of Tucumcari last Saturday, closing the deal over the phone, and going down to Tucum that night and driving the machine home next day, but owing to the rain and mud of the first of the week, he has not been "joy riding" much since becoming the possessor of the first auto in Montoya.

From Tucumcari Sun:—

New \$250,000 Corporation for Tucum
A new \$250,000 corporation has been formed in Tucumcari, to be known as the Quay County Development Association. Its object is to loan money on Quay county lands, to conduct a wholesale and retail mercantile business, to buy and sell real estate, and to develop oil and gas districts, and all other resources. A number of eastern capitalists are interested in the company. The officers and stockholders are as follows: Peter Loverich, Chicago, president; Geo. Mindeman, Endee, N. M., secretary; Albert Pietsch, Milwaukee; Geo. H. Monahan, Chicago; M. B. Goldenberg, Tucumcari, A. Vorenberg, and Senator C. H. Alldredge, of Tucumcari. All the preliminaries have been made and the corporation papers will probably be published next week. The main office of the new business will be in Tucumcari. Senator Alldredge will be the attorney for the corporation.

NEWS OF QUAY COUNTY

From Our Quay County Papers

From the Obar Progress:—

Last week we had our tussel with Uncle Sam, for the ownership of 120 acres on which Dove House is situated. We offered proof in the office of Bro. Geo. Bringle, the U. S. Commissioner at Nara Visa. Mr. Bringle is teaching school and it was after 4 o'clock when we began but he did the business with neatness and dispatch, and we were through by six.

Being a commissioner myself we had to go away from home to prove up. It was a case where "he proved others, but himself he could not prove."

H. P. White and C. Berlin acted as witnesses. Mr. White filed on his old claim the same day we filed, May 9, 1908. Mr. Berlin had filed the January before. We had not been at Nara Visa for sometime but we found most of the old guard still on deck.

There was Uncle Johnny Burns, who is all right except that he is too fat. We have no time for fat folks.

Paul Siegel entertained us a while by giving a one-man and concert. He has a phonograph and accompanies it with snare drum, bass drum and cymbals, playing all these instruments himself and he makes a pretty good musit, too.

From the Nara Visa New Mexico News: The "Dry's" Win

The election in Precinct No. 7 last Saturday, was interesting from the moment the polls opened in the morning until the votes were counted in the evening.

Both sides had made a careful poll of the precinct and knew what to expect if all voted. Accordingly the services of motor car owners are enlisted and every voter possible to get was brought in.

When the votes were counted Saturday evening it was found the "dry's" had won by a majority of fifteen. For the number of votes cast this is a decisive expression on the part of our people and should admit of no further controversy.

Mrs. Hugo Loewensorn has been visiting this week with friends at Tucumcari.

From the Endee Enterprise.

Albert McElwell spent most of the week in Tucumcari looking after business matters.

George Mindeman came in from Chicago Friday, and left Monday evening for Tucumcari.

Col. A. S. Reeves has leased the Geo. Mindeman farm for one year.

T. A. Fuhrman returned Saturday from a business trip to Tucumcari. Karl Trumpf returned this morning from a week's stay in Tucumcari.

E. F. Ketchum came in from Memphis, Texas, yesterday, and is now on his claim south of town. Mr. Ketchum informs us that he is making arrangements for putting extensive improvements on his place.

From Montoya Republican:

Making the Desert Bloom

It cost \$7,000,000 to bottle up the water of the Colorado river for irrigation purposes, but the money appears to have been well spent. About 17,000 acres of dry waste land in the vicinity of Yuma, Arizona, will be turned from a region of fruitless barrenness into a watered area of extreme fertility capable of producing corn, cotton, cattle or whatever else may be grown under temperate tropical climate conditions. A great tract of country covered with sand dunes and sage brush, along the old Santa Fe Trail, will soon be made to blossom the year round to the coaxing and of distributed Colorado refreshment. Of all the irrigation schemes undertaken with the aid of the federal government this Arizona venture seems to promise the most satisfactory return. Grave engineering problems have been successfully solved in getting the water in the main canal on the California side. This involved the construction of an 800-foot tunnel and carrying the water through a siphon 30 feet below the bed of the river. Now that the work of building has been completed, farmer emigrants from all parts of the country are rapidly buying up the irrigated land. Eventually the sale of the land and water will reimburse the federal treasury for the original outlay. The public money has seldom been expended